

Action Plan

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ACTIONS

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Proposed ACTIONS	GAP Principle(s)	Timing (quarter)	Responsible Unit	Indicator(s) / Target(s)
ACTION 1. ARRANGE MEETINGS FOR PRESENTING THE RESEARCH CAPABILITIES OF THE RESEARCHERS TO FIND SYNERGIES BETWEEN RESEARCH LINES AND FOSTER THE OCCURRENCE OF COMMON PROJECTS. For this purpose, URJC plans to: A) Complete the map of research capabilities that is currently on-going; B) Define the areas of knowledge with higher probability of synergy; C) Define the methodology, the periodicity of the meetings and the available resources; D) Launch the initiative and evaluate its performance.	8	Q4 2021	Vice-Chancellor of Innovation and Transfer	 Map of research capabilities published At least 30 attendees to each meeting At least 4 meetings annually Evaluation Report (at least 60% satisfaction)
ACTION 2. MOVING TOWARDS AN INSTITUTIONAL OTM-R POLICY To achieve this action (mainly to adapt the URJCs recruiting protocols to OTM-R) URJC will: A) Review the current recruiting procedures to include the C&C and OTM-R principles in all the job contracts managed by the University (researchers funded by research projects, self-funded programme, etc.); B) Include the new scores suggested by HRS4R in all the selection process (mention of professional career possibilities etc); C) Publish post-doctoral job offers on EURAXESS; D) Adapt the online job-offering platforms; E) Create templates and a recruiting guideline;	12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18	Q2 2020- Q2 2022	Vice-Chancellor of Research Vice-Chancellor of Innovation and Transfer	 100% of selection and contracting procedures follows new procedures C&C and OTM-R compliance 100% of lists of candidates with scores published 100% of offers posted on international portals (EURAXESS and others) Online job offering platforms updated Templates and recruiting guidelines available online All researchers, especially

F) Perform training seminars for employersInclude this information in the Welcome Manual and Welcome Workshop.				those responsible for research recruitment, and all human resources personnel are trained in OTMR and C&C
ACTION 3. TRANSLATE THE MOST OUTSTANDING DOCUMENTS TO ENGLISH. To achieve this action, URJC will: A) Prioritise the contents: webpages, guidelines, contracts for foreign researchers, main regulations, etc.; B) Contract translation services;	12, 13, 23	Q4 2021	Vice-Chancellor of Innovation and Transfer Vice-Chancellor of Research	 Main webpages are available in English and Spanish All contracts for foreign researchers are available in English and Spanish
C) Train key administrative staff to deal with foreign researchers.				
ACTION 4. IMPLEMENT THE OCCUPATIONAL RISKS PREVENTION PLAN. URJC will reach this action by:	23	Q3-Q4 2021	General Manager	Deploy the Risk Prevention PlanReport on its impact
A) Appointing someone responsible for the implementation;				
B) Implementing the different actions of the plan; C) Training researchers on risk prevention;				
D) Assessing its impact.				
An online English and Spanish version will be available.				
Include this information in the Welcome Manual and Welcome Workshop. ACTION 5. WRITE TELEWORKING RECOMMENDATIONS.	24	Q3 2023	Vice-Chancellor of	• Teleworking guideline
ACTION S. WATE TELEVIORATION RECOVERED ATTOMS.	27	Q3 2023	Faculty	published

Write a guideline about teleworking, aligning the teleworking conditions with the new national normative of clock control.			General Manager	
Earlier this year, Spain's government brought in a new law that requires employers to				
keep proper track of working hours, effectively bringing back the practice of clocking in				
and out, so that overtime hours can be measured.				
An online English and Spanish version will be available.				
Include this information in the Welcome Manual and Welcome Workshop.				
ACTION 6. ACADEMIC REARRANGEMENT PLAN FOR THE CENTRALISATION OF THE	24, 33	Q4 2020-	Vice-Chancellor of	Plan published
CAREERS PER CAMPUS.		Q3 2021	Academic Planning	 Annual reviews
The plan is devoted to:				
- Reduction in the mobility of professors between campuses, since the current				
academic offer is geographically dispersed among the URJC campuses.				
- Eliminate the current situation in which different cut-off grades are required for the				
same degree offered on different campuses.				
- Detect the demand of degrees and a) concentrate the degrees currently offered on				
several campuses or in different modalities (face-to-face and online), avoiding				
duplication of groups; b) propose new degrees.				
The plan will have an implementation period of 4 years and annual revisions to correct				
deviations.				
ACTION 7. REVIEW THE RESEARCHERS' SALARY SCALES.	26	Q1-Q2	General Manager	Researchers' salary scales
URJC will achieve this action by:		2022	Vice-Chancellor of	published
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A) Analysing the range of the researchers' current salaries;			Transfer	
B) Reorganising the professional profiles, specifically for the Visiting Professors category;			Vice-Chancellor of Research	
C) Defining salary ranges for each category.				
It will be applied in cases where it is necessary to review the remuneration, specifically				
in contracts charged to research projects.				
An online English and Spanish version will be available.				
ACTION 8. DEVELOP DIFFERENT TOOLS TO EXPLAIN TO RESEARCHERS THE CURRENT OPTIONS FOR PROFESSIONAL CAREER.	28, 30	Q1-Q3 2021	Vice-Chancellor of Research	Documents and websites available
To achieve this action, URJC will:			Vice-Chancellor of Innovation and	 At least 2 informative sessions annually New courses offered a
A) Prepare documents (professional career options guide), websites (URJC recruitment			Transfer	the Internationa
calls, and professional careers options guide), etc., exploring the options for			Vice-Chancellor of	Doctorate School
professional career for researchers;			Quality Ethics and	
B) Hold informative sessions of professional career options for different professional			Good Governance	
levels and/or professional areas; with experts in HHRR and career development.				
C) Reinforce the courses offered at the International Doctorate School, including				
subjects related to professional career options;				
D) Include this information in the Welcome Manual and Welcome Workshop.				
An online English and Spanish version of documents and websites will be available.				
ACTION 9. IMPROVE COMMUNICATION ABOUT MOBILITY ACTIONS.	29	Q2 2021	Vice-Chancellor of	Updated information is available

URJC will achieve this action by:			Transfer	
A) Centralising and providing higher visibility for mobility actions, especially for those actions funded by URJC; B) Including this information in the Welcome Manual and Welcome Workshop.			Vice-Chancellor of Research	
An online English and Spanish version will be available.				
ACTION 10. WRITE A WELCOME MANUAL AND PROVIDE A WELCOME WORKSHOP. URJC will achieve this goal by: A) Writing and updating the Welcome Manual for researchers at URJC; B) Collecting all the information about good research practices, innovation policy, gender equality, ethics and ethical committees, accounting, etc.; C) Providing welcome workshops to newcomers and presenting the manual contents; D) Defining a protocol of integration of new researchers at URJC.	29,30	Q1 2021 + annual updates	Vice-Chancellor of Research Vice-Chancellor of Innovation and Transfer Vice-Chancellor of Faculty	 Welcome Manual published At least 2 workshops annually At least 80% of newcomers attendity workshops
An online English and Spanish version will be available. ACTION 11. WRITE GUIDELINES FOR GOOD SUPERVISION. URJC will achieve this goal by: A) Setting a protocol to define the rights and duties of supervisors and supervisees, especially focused on the researchers funded by research projects, including the obligation of a final evaluation report; B) Writing a good supervision guideline;	36, 37, 40	Q3-Q4 2023	Vice-Chancellor of Innovation and Transfer Vice-Chancellor of Research	 Good supervision guidelines published New training offer including Supervision Guidelines

C) Including these guidelines in the supervisors' training plan.				
An online English and Spanish version will be available.				
ACTION 12. EVALUATE URJC'S SUPERVISION QUALITY.	37	Q1-Q2 2023	Vice-Chancellor of	Report on URJC supervision quality
URJC will achieve this goal by:		2023	Quality Ethics and Good Governance	supervision qualityAt least 60% satisfaction
A) Performing a survey for R1 and R2 researchers to evaluate the supervision quality;				with supervision quality If necessary, supervision
B) Analysing the results of the survey, and reviewing and modifying the current supervision practices of R1 and R2 researchers;				practices updated and published
C) If necessary, updating the supervision practices.				
An online English and Spanish version will be available.				
ACTION 13. DESIGN A PILOTING MENTORSHIP PROGRAMME FOR R2 RESEARCHERS.	37	Q1-Q2 2022	Vice-Chancellor of Innovation and	Pilot Mentoring Programme available
URJC will achieve this goal by:		2022	Transfer	 Report on Mentoring Programme
A) Benchmarking international mentorship programmes to identify good practices;			Vice-Chancellor of	 At least 60% satisfaction
followingthe methodology of REBECCA mentoring program from FECYT.			Research	with Mentoring Programme in the second
B) Designing a 1-year piloting mentorship programme for R2 researchers, performed				year
by mentors within URJC;				
C) Analysing the experience and evaluating the extension of the programme to other				
scale levels.				
Activities like seminars, focus groups, documents, etc. will be used, for example to:				
Encourage young scientists to focus on reaching senior level roles				

 Increase the provision of high-quality feedback Help individuals to seek support from senior team members and to learn what steps to take to best advance their careers. The role of the mentors will be primarily to advise on the different aspects of the career development of researchers. Perform a biennial assessment of satisfaction with the Mentoring Programme: survey 				
and report the results and recommendations. ACTION 14. STRENGTHEN THE TRAINING OFFER ADDING OTHER COURSES FOCUSED ON SOFT SKILLS. The international doctorate school will strengthen training courses to PhD Students adding other courses focused on soft skills. URJC will achieve this goal by: A) Performing a survey for defining present needs; B) Identifying / designing courses to solve current training needs. In addition, training will be offered to researchers and post-doctoral researchers. To fulfil other training needs, annual seminars will be organized on: • Seminar about Gender Balance • Seminar about Intellectual Property Norms	8, 14, 30, 33, 38, 39	Q2-Q3 2021	Vice-Chancellor of Quality Ethics and Good Governance	 Report on training and demand on soft skills New training offer on soft skills with at least 50 attendees At least 30 attendees to the annual seminar on IPR
ACTION 15. CREATE AN OFFICE FOR THE RECEPTION OF FOREIGN RESEARCHERS.	12, 13	Q4 2020- Q3 2021	Vice-Chancellor of Innovation and	Reception Office available

Encourage greater pro-activity about career management

The Reception Office will have the function of processing and welcoming the foreign, researchers and teaching staff who come to the University. The processing relates to the academic and bureaucratic formalities which foreign students and researchers encounter when entering the country. The URJC will achieve this goal by:			Transfer	
A) Defining the required process, and reporting line;				
B) Allocating human and financial resources;				
C) Generating contents and SOP.				
ACTION 16. DESIGN AN EVALUATION PROCESS FOR RESEARCHERS FUNDED BY RESEARCH PROJECTS. URJC will achieve this goal by: A) Designing a checklist for the evaluation of all R2 researchers based upon other existing evaluations; B) Designing an evaluation software based upon "investjobs" digital platform; C) Evaluating all R2 researchers whose contract exceeds 6 months; D) Conditioning the contract renewal to a positive evaluation of the work performed.	11	Q1-Q2 2022	Vice-Chancellor of Innovation and Transfer Vice-Chancellor of Research Vice-Chancellor of Quality Ethics and Good Governance Vice-Chancellor of Digitalisation Vice Chancellor of Internationalisation	 Evaluation process approved 100% of researchers funded by research projects are evaluated
ACTION 17. HRS4R PROJECT'S KICK-OFF AND STRENGTH AWARENESS OF THE CHARTER & CODE CRITERIA AT URJC.	ALL	Q2 2020- Q1 2025	Vice-Chancellor of Innovation and Transfer	 WG HRS4R constituted WG OTMR constituted Number of attendees at

The goal of this action is to attain increasing involvement of the C&C criteria in the				seminars
research community and in everyday research practices. URJC will achieve this goal by:				 Surveys to address the
A) Including the actions defined in this Action Plan in the Research Strategic Plan of				awareness
URJC;				
B) Scheduling periodical briefings in departments and institutions' management to				
influence the dissemination of the C&C key lessons to research (PDI) and administrative				
(PAS) staff;				
C) Incorporating new researchers that wish to join the Implementation Working Group				
(IWG) for specific working teams.				
ACTION 18. WRITE A GOOD RESEARCH PRACTICES GUIDELINE.	7	Q3-Q4	Vice-Chancellor of	Writing of the document
		2022	Innovation and	 Approval of the document
Based in the European code of conduct for research integrity.			Transfer	
			Vice-Chancellor of	
			Research	
			Vice-Chancellor of	
			Quality Ethics and	
			Good Governance	

OTM-R

In the action plan outlined above there are several actions that deal with specific elements of the Open, Transparent and Merit-Based Recruitment principles.

The provision of guidelines, which set out clear procedures and practices, are addressed by the actions 2, and 17.

By publishing scientific job advertisements on EURAXESS, URJC will ensure outreach to a wider and especially international audience.

The main actions that will be implemented to address the OTM-R principles will be "Action 2 Adapt the URJC recruiting protocols to OTM-R." and "Action 17 HRS4R project's kick-off and strength awareness of the charter & code criteria at URJC, to be implemented by the General Management, which will include the C&C principles and a reference of the procedure will be included in the Welcome Manual.